Acosta Hitting for .300 in Cuban League---Ty Cobb Talks About Managers

MERITO ACOSTA IS

Midget Outfielder Reaches the THINKS STALLINGS Magic Mark With Wand in Havana League.

PLAY PROVIDENCE

Manager Griffith Books Two Exhibition Games With Bill Donovan's Team.

By LOUIS A. DOUGHER.

On the eve of his leaving Cuba make good with the Griffmen from nant.

scored two of the seven runs, drove in two more, corraled two singles and a double and stole a cushion. Advices from Cuba say that the little Griffman is fully as popular as Armando. Many and pure the seven runs, drove in team is a consistent loser generally insist that it is a shame for the man-agement not to go out and buy start

"Allowing for everything, different pitching, different fielding and different scoring, Acosta must have improved a whole lot since last summer," said Man-

fered him, and wants to have a confi-dential chat with Manager Griff th beonus, if he manages to reach a certain mark with the willow.

"Chick" Gandil, the clouting first sacker, 'eaves Wednesday for West Baden, Ind., to boil out before starting for Charlottesville. George McBride, the veteran shortstop and captain of the Climbers, will meet Gandil at the springs and go through the same

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The human gargoyle is paired off with Celveland as manager and was a rank failure. "Pork Chop" Evers in a screaming baseball skit, and Manager Griffith, ac-companied by the players residing here will occupy choice seats at the ringside to see that the comedian gets a good reception. Nick and his partner played to see that the comedian gets a good stant bossing. In other words, Davis Farrell. He knows ability, and he reception. Nick and his partner played like a father and who resented the consix weeks at the Alhambra, in Chicago, stant bossing. In other words, Davis and so stage fright probably will be ab. did not have the same atmosphere to a lot of sleepy-headed players and have

No \$20,000 Bonus to Evers for Signing Up

NEW YORK, Feb. 15 -- President Gaffney, of the Boston Nationals, says that the report that Evers would receive a bonus of \$20 000 for signing a contract was groundless. He admitted that himself as a manager, because the secured from the Boston club, which has a baseumed his Chicago contract, in which Davis left. As a matter of fact, it is a secured by the secure of the secure

Major League Managers Are Born, Not Made, Says "Georgia Peach;" | SMASH AGREEMENT HITTING FOR 300 Cobb Chats With Times Readers About Great Leaders on Diamond TO END MURPHYISM

GREATEST OF ALL

Litts Yanks and Braves From Lowly Positions to Places of

Star Bataman of Major Leagues.

for the training camp at Charlottes- pearls, or hens' teeth, or any of those ville, Va., Merito Acosta, the midget things which are quoted as being so outfielder of the Climbers, has scarce. Big league leaders are judged reached the magic .300 mark with by the results they obtain, and it is the willow for twenty-three games their methods which bring the rein the Cuban winter league. There- sults, since, notwithstanding that the fore, he will report to Jack Ryan in players on the clubs change year afexcellent physical shape and filled ter year, you usually find the same with confidence in his ability to managers up fighting for the pen-

The latest figures show Acosta's managers, as "Connie" Mack has proven. He looks at the date on a nickel seven or eight times before he spends it for a player, and yet he In addition, Acosta is one of the has the most valuable collection three leading base stealers. Marsans, ever assembled under one standard. the Reds' star, leads with eighteen The only time "Connie" ever did cut in twenty-two games. Torriente has loose and spend money for a ball eleven in twenty games. Then comes player his results were practically Acosta with twelve in twenty-three a net loss. I refer to the time he paid \$12,000 for "Lefty" Russell and In his latest game Acosta was on the then had to turn him back to the winning side and he contributed not a minor leagues.

insist that it is a shame for the management not to go out and buy stars and put a winner into their city. They imagine that any club willing to spend the money, can take a pennant. "Look at 'Connie' Mack." I have heard followers of baseball remark. "He has the stars. Why don't the St. Louis Browns buy some of his play-

Has Great Individuality.

Mack has a great individuality. He Mack has a great individuanty. Americans several seasons ago when big leaguers. Following the game on Monday the Griffmen will leave imight is a crafty, quiet manager who is although they were down at the bottom of the mediately for Boston, an hour's ride, ways under cover and who rules his league and pulled them up into sectoam with all the authority of a czar, but by persuasion and not the iron but by persuasion and not the iron lost out. He is a team builder. But probably his greatest achievement to date was his showing with the Boston when the monday is a crafty, quiet manager who is although they were down at the bottom of the case, and pulled them up into sectoam with all the authority of a czar, but by persuasion and not the iron lost out. He is a team builder. But probably his greatest achievement to date was his showing with the Boston when the monday is a crafty, quiet manager who is although they were down at the bottom of the league and pulled them up into sectoam with all the authority of a czar, but by persuasion and not the iron lost out. He is a team builder. But probably his greatest achievement to date was his showing with the Boston when the individual to the probably his greatest achievement to date was his showing with the Boston when the probably his greatest achievement to date was his showing with the Boston when the probably his greatest achievement to date was his showing with the Boston when the probably his greatest achievement to date was his showing with the Boston when the probably his greatest achievement to date was his showing with the Boston when the probably his greatest achievement to date was his showing with the Boston when the probably his greatest achievement to date was his showing with the Boston when the probably his greatest achievement to date was his showing with the Boston when the probably his greatest achievement to date was his showing with the Boston when the probably his greatest achievement to date was his showing with the Boston when the probably his greate "Daredevil" Dan Moeller, accompanied only with his players, but with his acby Mrs. Moeller, will arrive in the
capital on February 21. Moel er is not
particularly satisfied with the terms of,
hever one of the fellows on the club.

Davis attempted to make old timers



orders. Hence, McGraw receives implicit obedience.
"Do what I tell you to, and if things go wrong, I'll take the blame," says McGraw. And the players know that he will, and does, and they act accord-

CONNIE MACK

Never Seek Alibis.

scoring, Acosta must have improved a whole lot since last summer," said Manager Griffith today.

"Because he is going good now and has all the confidence necesary, I have ordered him to report at Charlottesville, Va., with the first squad. If he can start clouting the pitching at Charlottes ville just as he has been doing, in Havana this winter—well, the little fellow may make a great fight for a place in my outfield. He'll get it, too, if he delivers."

Manager Griffith has booked two exhibition games with Bill Donovan's International League team at Providence, R. I., on April 11 and 12. This means that Schaeler's second squad will be unable to play in Newport News on the 13th, as the Old Fox means to take his entire squad to Boston for the opening battle of the 1914 campaign.

April 12 is Sunday and a large crowd will undoubtedly be on hand to see the

League club. He has great abality for getting baseball out of what looks like a bad club. He took the New York

day."
"You could not tell whether some of

Davis attempted to make old timers like Lajoie and the rest accept the same contrine instanter. Davis over-managed and the club was all itorn up into factions when Stovall took charge of it toward the end of the season after Davis got through.

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Stovall made quite a reputation for himself as a manager, because the Naps won a lot of ball games after Davis left. As a matter of fact, stovall did no managing, but permitted the players to do whatever mitted the players to do whatever they thought best as the different the stuations confronted them, and most

to Say to the Fans of the Capital. He Isn't a Bit Bashful, Either, in

GEO. STALLINGS ~ CLARK GRIFFITH

Then he goes ahead and gives his reasons for his different point of view. "It was the ninth inning before Mur-

"Comple" is always careful never to phy got a lift through the box. The break the heart of a young ball player to he should have had Murphy as flat-foot-

BOB GROOM DENIES

Name recoundless. He admitted that Evers would dream a yeary selarly and the Cheige contract, in which had accounted the Cheige contract, in which had been in command they would not be sold by the Boston city, said Gaffrey for doing considerably managing, but permitted that Evers would receive an additional sum for his services but he would nay it.

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Good Men Are Scarce.

the Athletics had taken three straight.

but the majority of the board of strat-egy advised against it, so he started Bender and the Indian was beaten. The man he had in m.nd was Coombs, who had a ready won twice in the se-ries. The board of strategy held that he should have one more day's rest and "Connie" bowed to the judgment of his players.

Players.

But several nembers of the board wanted him to put a batter in for Plank

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MCGRAW ~

players get too sure of themselves and begin to believe that they know all the baseball there is to know and that no one can tell them anything. In other words, they become blase.

Look at the Athletics of 1912 They were satiated with victory atter having won two world's championships in 1910 and 1911, and they became careless. They felt sure that they would win in the end once they got started, and so they never got started. Some of the pitchers and several of the other members of the team were careless about keeping in condition. I remember how sure the Athletics were up to within a couple of months of the end of the race, couple of months of the end of the race.

stant with all the authority of a care, should be a seried and not the sound and the sound and not the me toward the middle of Aungust.

But the Red Sox did not crack, and the members of "Connie" Mack's team missed the wor d's series money in the winter. They had been used to it for two years. They made up their minds to take no chances last season, and were hustling from the getaway.

The Cubs were overconfident in 1909, and were heaten out by Pittsburgh, while the Giants of 1908 ran away with themselves after having won the world's series in Chicago after the Alberton had to the contract of the series in Chicago after the serie

But several members of the board strictest bosses in the business, and not a Giant steals a base during the regular season or lays down a buft or tries the hit-and-run, or, in fact, does anything else, without direct orders from McGraw, unless he desires to absorb a fine. In 1906, however, McGraw put it up to his men.

"Mac' says they ran wild on the bases," Jennings told me, in discussing it. "They tried all sorts of plays at the wrong stages."

A Wonderful Performance.

Mack's achievement in winning the world's championship last year with a pitching staff of two veterns and the rest youngsters was a wonderful performance. The man on whom "Connie" had depended to do sil the heavy p.tching. John Coombs, was out for the season. But both Bender and Plank were in excellent condition, and they were at the top of their form all through his schedule depending on his hitters and the judicous switching of his patchers. The records show that judgment and signed this pitcher, and they were manager went over Mack's judgment and signed this pitcher, and judgment and signed this pitcher.

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No other manager went over Mack's his pitchers and the judicous switching of his pitchers and the judicous switching of his pitcher, and his pitchers and the second shipment of Kuppenheimer the second shipment of Kuppenheimer Suits and Overcoats brought crowds last season. Griffith, who is a great shrewdest manager in baseball, in my of eager men to Grosner's, 1013 his constant yanking of opinion. And as I have said, good ones believer in the constant yanking of twiriers, pressed him hard, changing 122 times.
Griffith is a funny manager and bis record shows the inconsistences of paper hanger with the flying hives.

record shows the inconsistencies of baseball. In Cincinnati, his rating was low, but he went to Washington and took hold of a second division team. He made out of it a pennant contender

Ban Johnson Says His League Will Refuse to Work in Harmony With Tener.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.-"Murphy must to. If necessary, the American League will smash the agreement it has with

will smash the agreement it has with the National League in order to bring this about. The American League is determined to end Murphy's activities for once and all," says Ban B. Johnson, Johnson, the fiery leader of the American League.

"It is easential that President Tener be clothed with equal power with me. I can remove any club owner who becomes a detriment to the organization. Tener should be given equal power, if the National League is to work in harmony with the American League.

"Murphy has threatened the foundations of baseball before now, and has escaped punishment. But his latest section will be his last. He must be driven from organized baseball, and it is up to the magnates in his league to bring this about.

about.

"We want perfect confidence and sportsmanship in baseball. Murphy's treatment of Chance, Tinker. Brove, and Evers does not savor of sportsmanship. The public won't endure him much longer. The American League has cried quits now. Managers and club presidents cannot afford to deceive players, as Murphy has done. This is a big league, not a Federal League."

ROD IS IN PICKLE FOR BOSS OF CUBS

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—When Charles Webb Murphy, of the Cubs, is officially notified of the action of the National League's board of directors in the Evers case it is expected that he will jump out of his skin. While Gov. John K. Tener would not say what had been cooked up by the directors for Murphy when questioned at the Waldorf-Astoria yesterday, it was said on good authority that Murphy would be called upon to pay a large sum of money to Evers in the shape of damages to the latter's reputation and feelings.

According to the goasips, Murphy was double play if he had thrown. But he didn't and lost the double. Hartzeil fumbled the next hit, and the old ball game was won for Wyckoff.

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"Connie' was more tickled over the kid winning that game than I ever saw him over anything before," concluded my friend.

Wictory Demoralizes.

The winning of two or three champlonships often demoralizes a team even if the material is as good. After a victorious season, managers say it is hardest to keep players on their toes and hustling. I believe it is due to this reason that no team ever took more than three pennants in succession. The players get too sure of themselves and begin to believe that they know al the baseball there is to know god that no one can tell them anything in 1910 and 1911, and they know al the baseball there is to know god that no one can tell them anything in 1910 and 1911, and they would win in the end once they got started. Some of the Hollows and dheep never got started. Some of the Hollows and show they never got started. Some of the Hollows and should be the season opened. Issue as should be the season opened in the country and can't find the sachal there is to know god that no one can tell them anything in 1910 and 1911, and they became careless. They felt sure that they would win in the end once they got started, and so they never got started. Some of the Hollows and should be the standard of all modern to the proper of the started and so they never got started. Some of the Hollows and should be the standard of all modern between the season opened. Issue that the plantage is the season opened is a term of the sach the plantage is the season opened. Issue the plantage is the season opened is th

falls short of those high principles which should be the standard of all modern businessmen and sportsmen it becomes the privilege and duty of it becomes the privilege and duty of this league to say to the cubs com-posing it and to the general public that such person will not be admit-ted to its councils. We do not say to the clubs who shall represent them in the meetings of this league, but we do reserve the right to say who shall represent them, when the per-son so excluded shall be proven un-fit to discharge the high duties de-volving upon him in our deliberavolving upon him in our delibera-

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It was pointed out last night that the league would soon piace Murphy on tria', charged with violating the letter and spirit of the above resolution, which, it was said, the league adopted in view of the relations shown to have existed between Murphy and Fogel prices to the conviction of the latter of or to the conviction of the latter of slandering the umpire staff and former President Thomas J. Lynch.

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